Locking up of convicts in the Reformatory premises.

1. *Mr. **James Fletcher**: (*Kalkulam and Vilavankod* cum *Neyyattinkara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether certain number of convicts from the Central Jail are locked up during night in the cells in the Reformatory premises;

(*b*) whether the keeping of the hardened criminal convicts in the immediate vicinity of Reformatory students will not produce baneful influence on the latter;

(*c*) whether they have received any report regarding the misbehaviour of the convicts in the Reformatory School premises;

(*d*) whether the cells in the Reformatory School, where the convicts from Central Jail are kept, are of flimsy construction and could be easily broken open; and

(*e*) whether they have taken any steps to remove the convicts from the Reformatory School?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: (*a*) Yes; as a temporary measure, till the congestion in the Central Prison is relieved.

(*b*) As the prisoners are locked up in single cells in a separate building only during night and taken back early every morning, they cannot have any contact with the pupils of the Reformatory School.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) In view of the answer to (*a*), this does not arise.

Mr. James Fletcher: With reference to answer to part (*a*) may I know whether any measure has been taken to relieve the congestion in the Central Prison?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Yes.

Mr. James Fletcher: May I know when the measure taken would be completed so as to give complete relief?

Mr. M. K. Nilakanta Aiyar: Within a month or two.

Ryots' Roads.

2. *Mr. **G. Narayana Aiyar**: (*Parur, Kunnatnad and Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state: (*a*) the total extent of ryots' roads maintained by the P. W. Department in the taluks of Parur and Kunnatnad in 1112, 1113 and 1114;

(*b*) the number of applications sent to the Government in 1112, 1113 and 1114 for taking over the management of the ryots' roads and the total extent of ryots' roads included in all such applications; and

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(*c*) whether as per any of the applications sent in 1112, 1113 and 1114 any ryots' road was taken charge of by the Government, and if so, what is the extent of such road and where such road is situated?

Mr. M. S. Doraswamy Aiyangar: (*Chief Engineer*):

(*a*) There are no such roads in the Parur taluk. In the Kunnatnad taluk there are $6\frac{1}{4}$ miles of such road.

(*b*) Many petitions were received. The exact number of the petitions cannot be correctly ascertained.

(*c*) About 4 miles of the road from Muvattupuzha—Thrippunithura road to Perumbavur—Puthencruz road have been ordered to be taken charge of by the P. W. D. from 1115 onwards. Action is being taken by the Land Revenue Department to declare the land as poramboke on payment of nominal compensation.

Perumbavur Cattle Market.

3. ***Mr .G. Narayana Aiyar**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the average number of cattle that are taken to the cattle market for sale at Perumbavur cattle market during market days;

(*b*) the amount for which the right to levy toll on the cattle taken to the market was sold in the years 1112, 1113 and 1114; and

(*c*) whether there are any stalls or safe buildings in the market for keeping the cattle taken to the market from the effects of sun and rain?

Mr. M. Ramachandra Rao (*Land Revenue and Income Tax Commissioner*): (*a*) 200.

(*b*) The market was not in existence in 1112. The lease amount for the year 1113 was Rs. 636 and that for the year 1114 was Rs. 1165.

(*c*) No.

Transport buses plying between Quilon and Trivandrum.

4. ***Mr. G. Narayana Aiyar**: Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether it is a fact that there are no tarpaulins in some of the transport buses now plying between Quilon and Trivandrum:

(*b*) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, how are the luggage of passengers to be protected from the effects of rain and sun; and

(*c*) whether it is a fact that the loading and unloading the luggage of passengers has to be done under the entire responsibility of the passengers even at interim places where coolies could not be had?

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